

REMARKS

I. Introduction.

Claims 22, 23, and 25-30 are pending. Claims 22, 23, and 29 have been amended to further clarify the invention.

II. The 35 U.S.C. §112 Rejection.

Without admitting that the specification as originally filed does not provide support for "consisting essentially of", Applicants have amended 29 to further clarify the invention.

III. The 35 U.S.C. §103(a) Rejection.

Claims 22-23 and 25-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,569,261 to Aubay *et al.* ("Aubay") in combination with U.S. Patent No. 3,658,590 to Huebner *et al.* ("Huebner"). Applicants respectfully traverse and obviate the rejection.

Applicants respectfully submit that the combination of Aubay and Huebner does not disclose or suggest, among other elements, a spraying device. At best, Huebner discloses an apparatus mounted in a filling station bay. As there is no disclosure or suggestion of a spraying device, Applicants submit that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) has been overcome.

Claims 27-30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Aubay in combination with Yeiser and Chura. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Applicants respectfully submit that the combination of Aubay Yeiser and Chura does not disclose or suggest, among other elements, a valve system having settings for a washing step, a unpurified water rinsing step, and a purified water rinsing step. Chura, at best, allegedly discloses a double barrel sprayer for applying a diluted product such as a diluted cleaning solution to a surface for cleaning thereof and rinsing the diluted product from the surface by spraying a water-only rinse onto the surface. There is no disclosure or suggestion of a valve system having settings for a washing step, a unpurified water rinsing step, and a

purified water rinsing step. As there is no disclosure or suggestion of a valve system having settings for a washing step, a unpurified water rinsing step, and a purified water rinsing step, Applicants submit that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) has been overcome.

With regard to all claims not specifically mentioned, these are believed to be allowable not only in view of their dependency on their respective base claims and any intervening claims, but also for the totality of features recited therein.

All claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner disagree, Applicants respectfully invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants to arrange for a telephonic interview in an effort to expedite the prosecution of this matter.

IV. Conclusion.

In view of the foregoing amendments and accompanying remarks, reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested. Should any fee be required, please charge such fee to Procter & Gamble Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

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